GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:650
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SETTING UP OF WOMEN POLICE STATIONS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of women jails in the country and the capacity thereof, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government propose to assist State Governments for setting up of Women Police Stations in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a): State-wise number and the authorised capacity of exclusive Women Jails in the country during 1999 were as under:-

State/U.T.	No. of Women Jails	Authorised
Andhra Pradesh	2	320
Bihar	1	83
Kerala	1	64
Orissa	1	55
Punjab	1	150
Rajasthan	1	200
Tamil Nadu	2	612
Tripura	1	30
Uttar Pradesh	1	70
West Bengal	1	100

(b)&(c): `Police` is a State subject as per the Constitution. Setting up of Police Stations including Women Police Stations is within the sphere of responsibility of the State Governments. However in order to supplement their efforts, the Union Government is providing financial assistance to the State Governments under the scheme of modernisation of police forces inter alia for construction of new Police Stations/Police Posts as also rest rooms and toilets for exclusive use of women in the existing Police Stations/Out Posts.